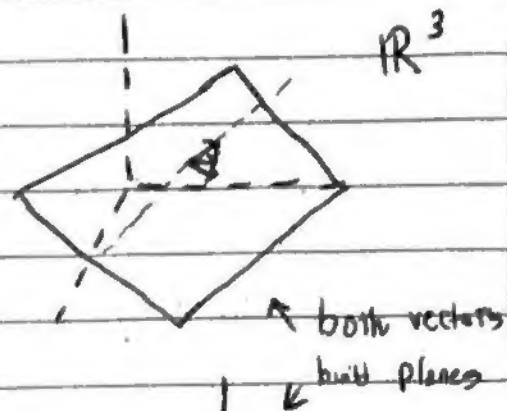


Last time: Dot Product

\vec{u} and \vec{v} are orthogonal if $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

12.4 Cross Product

goal: give two vectors $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$,
 $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Construct a
 vector $\vec{w} = \langle w_1, w_2, w_3 \rangle \in \mathbb{R}^3$ so
 that \vec{w} is orthogonal to \vec{u} and \vec{v}
 (want to find \vec{w} canonically)



How? we know that

$$\begin{cases} \textcircled{1} 0 = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} = (u_1 w_1 + u_2 w_2 + u_3 w_3) \\ \textcircled{2} 0 = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = (v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + v_3 w_3) \end{cases}$$

Give "this formula" we want to find $\langle w_1, w_2, w_3 \rangle = \vec{w}$

Therefore, we multiply $\textcircled{1}$ by v_3 and $\textcircled{2}$ by u_3 to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1^a} & \quad 0 = v_3 (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}) = (v_3 u_1) w_1 + (v_3 u_2) w_2 + (v_3 u_3) w_3 \\ \textcircled{2^a} & \quad 0 = u_3 (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}) = (u_3 v_1) w_1 + (u_3 v_2) w_2 + (u_3 v_3) w_3 \end{aligned}$$

Next subtract $\textcircled{2^a}$ from $\textcircled{1^a}$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad 0 = v_3 (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}) - u_3 (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})$$

$$= (v_3 u_1 - u_3 v_1) w_1 + (v_3 u_2 - u_3 v_2) w_2$$

$$= -(-(v_3 u_1 - u_3 v_1)) w_1 + (v_3 u_2 - u_3 v_2) w_2$$

Hence: $\textcircled{3}$ has at least the solution

$$\begin{cases} w_1 = v_3 u_2 - u_3 v_2 \\ w_2 = -(v_3 u_1 - u_3 v_1) \end{cases}$$

aside: $-ax + by = 0$
 has solution $\begin{pmatrix} x=b \\ y=a \end{pmatrix}$
 to $-ab + ba = 0$

Inputting these to ① we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= U_1 w_1 + U_2 w_2 + U_3 w_3 \\ &= U_1 (U_2 V_3 - U_3 V_2) + U_2 (- (U_1 V_3 - U_3 V_1)) + U_3 w_3 \\ &= U_1 U_2 V_3 - U_1 U_3 V_2 - U_1 U_2 V_3 + U_2 V_3 V_1 + U_3 w_3 \\ &= U_3 (U_2 V_1 - U_1 V_2 + w_3) \end{aligned}$$

Side note: either

$$U_3 = 0 \text{ or } w_3 = U_1 V_2 - U_2 V_1$$

Claim: (modulo the detail that U_3 may be 0)

We have the solution:

$$\vec{w} = \langle U_2 V_3 - U_3 V_2, - (U_1 V_3 - U_3 V_1), U_1 V_2 - U_2 V_1 \rangle$$

Now check \uparrow symbolically

Def: The determinant of the 2×2 matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{is } \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

Def: The determinant of the 3×3 matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{is } \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix}$$

Alteration in signs from 2×2 to 3×3 ... $+, -, +, -, +, -, +$

- When finding the formula don't worry about anything if the #'s row or column. 3×3 matrix is left with a $\begin{bmatrix} - & - & - \end{bmatrix}$. (Inside matrix are #'s or letters that are not in a's row/column.)

ex: Compute determinant $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

6x note:
always starts
+

$$\textcircled{1} \det = (-1) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 7 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \det = (-1)((-1)(1) - (1)(0)) - 3((0)(1) - (1)(1)) + 7((0)(0) - (-1)(1))$$

$$= -1(-1) - 3(-1) + 7(1) = \boxed{11}$$

Why? (Find determinant of 3×3 , then find determinant of 2×2 , solve)

Def: Let $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$, $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle \in \mathbb{R}^3$

The cross product of \vec{u} with \vec{v} is

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\det = \vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} u_2 & u_3 \\ v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} + \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{i}(u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2) - \vec{j}(u_1 v_3 - u_3 v_1) + \vec{k}(u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1)$$

$$= \langle u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2, -u_1 v_3 + u_3 v_1, u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1 \rangle$$

Resultant of Cross Product

NB: This has been done in \mathbb{R}^3 . This only works in \mathbb{R}^3 (cross product)

The cross product as a vector operation
(vector in \mathbb{R}^3 \times vector in $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow$ vector in \mathbb{R}^3)

* $\vec{0} \times 1 = \text{undefined} \rightarrow 1 \text{ is not in } \mathbb{R}^3$

* $\langle 1, 1 \rangle \times \langle 3, 2 \rangle = \text{undefined} \rightarrow \text{not defined in } \mathbb{R}^3$

Prop (Algebraic Properties of cross product):

let $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

① $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = -\vec{v} \times \vec{u}$

Proof: $\vec{v} \times \vec{u} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} v_2 & v_3 \\ u_2 & u_3 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_3 \\ u_1 & u_3 \end{vmatrix} + \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ u_1 & u_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{i} (v_2 u_3 - v_3 u_2) - \vec{j} (v_1 u_3 - v_3 u_1) + \vec{k} (v_1 u_2 - v_2 u_1)$$

$$= \langle v_2 u_3 - v_3 u_2, -v_1 u_3 + v_3 u_1, v_1 u_2 - v_2 u_1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle -(v_2 u_3 - v_3 u_2), -(-v_1 u_3 + v_3 u_1), -(v_1 u_2 - v_2 u_1) \rangle$$

$$= -\langle v_2 u_3 - v_3 u_2, -v_1 u_3 + v_3 u_1, v_1 u_2 - v_2 u_1 \rangle$$

$$= -\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$$

Scalar vector

$$\textcircled{2} (c\vec{u}) \times \vec{v} = c(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) = \vec{u} \times (c\vec{v}) \quad \text{commutative}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \vec{u} \times (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) + (\vec{u} \times \vec{w}) \quad \text{distributive on left}$$

$$\textcircled{4} (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \times \vec{w} = (\vec{u} \times \vec{w}) + (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) \quad \text{distributive on right}$$

$$\star \textcircled{5} \vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \vec{u} \times (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w})\vec{v} - (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})\vec{w} \quad \text{cross product of cross product}$$

prop (geometric properties of cross product)

let $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\textcircled{1} \vec{u} \times \vec{v} \text{ is orthogonal to both } \vec{u} \text{ and } \vec{v}$$

$$\textcircled{2} |\vec{u} \times \vec{v}| = |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}| \sin(\theta) \quad \theta \text{ is the angle between } \vec{u} \text{ and } \vec{v}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \vec{0} \quad \text{if and only if } \vec{u} \text{ is parallel to } \vec{v}$$